

**REMARKS/ARGUMENTS**

Reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejections of the application are respectfully requested in view of the amendments and remarks herewith, which place the application into condition for allowance. The present amendment is being made to facilitate prosecution of the application.

**I. STATUS OF THE CLAIMS AND FORMAL MATTERS**

Claims 1 and 3-7 are pending in this application. Claims 1, 6, and 7, which are independent, are hereby amended. It is submitted that these claims, as originally presented, were in full compliance with the requirements 35 U.S.C. §112. No new matter has been introduced by this amendment. Support for this amendment is provided throughout the Specification. Changes to claims are not made for the purpose of patentability within the meaning of 35 U.S.C. §101, §102, §103, or §112. Rather, these changes are made simply for clarification and to round out the scope of protection to which the Applicant is entitled.

**II. REJECTIONS UNDER 35 U.S.C. §103(a)**

Claims 1, 6, and 7, which were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph, as allegedly indefinite, are amended herein, obviating the rejection.

**III. REJECTIONS UNDER 35 U.S.C. §103(a)**

Claims 1 and 3-7 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as allegedly unpatentable over U.S. Patent No. 5,264,839 to Lang in view of U.S. Patent No. 6,226,296 to Lindsey, et al.

Claim 1 recites, *inter alia*:

“...analyzing means for analyzing edit procedure data and recognizing the edit command in the edit procedure data;

editing means for editing said audio visual data in accordance with said edit command;

determining means for determining whether said edit command specifies a command for copying of said audio visual data..” (emphasis added).

As understood by Applicants, U.S. Patent No. 5,264,839 to Lang (hereinafter, merely “Lang”) relates to an improved video recorder/transceiver with expanded functionality including a capability for storing video and video programs in digital format, editing such programs, transferring such programs onto a hard copy magnetic media, and transmitting such programs to a remote location using a second VCR-ET. The increased functionality is realized through the use of analog to digital conversion, signal compression and intermediate storage in an integrated circuit, random access memory..

As understood by Applicants, U.S. Patent No. 6,226,296 to Lindsey, et al. (hereinafter, merely “Lindsey”) relates to relates to a network where at least two routing switchers are connected together with a tie-line composed of a plurality of full duplex dedicated router interconnects. This configuration results in a contention free environment as long as the number of users along a given tie-line at a given moment does not exceed the number of dedicated routing switcher interconnects that compose that tie-line.

Applicants submit nothing has been found in Lang or Lindsey, taken alone or in combination, that would teach or disclose the above-identified features of claim 1. Specifically, Applicants submit that Lang and Lindsey fail to teach or suggest analyzing means for analyzing edit procedure data and recognizing the edit command in the edit procedure data, editing means for editing said audio visual data in accordance with said edit command, and determining means

for determining whether said edit command specifies a command for copying of said audio visual data, as recited in claim 1.

Therefore claim 1 is patentable.

For reasons similar to those recited above, Applicants submit that claims 6 and 7 are also patentable.

### **CONCLUSION**

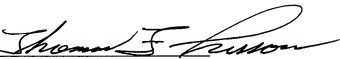
In the event the Examiner disagrees with any of statements appearing above with respect to the disclosures in the cited references, it is respectfully requested that the Examiner specifically indicate those portions of the references providing the basis for a contrary view.

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, it is believed that all of the claims in this application are patentable and Applicant respectfully requests early passage to issue of the present application.

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Respectfully submitted,

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